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Dr. Seeno Watson.

Dear Sir

I have had the honor of being entrusted with the organization of the Botanical exhibit at the World's Fair under John Hoopes, Chief of the Bureau of Floriculture.

I am taking the liberty of writing to you for advice and information.

The exhibit will in all probability be made under the auspices of the Woman's Department.

We contemplate showing a collection of the plants of each state, as nearly complete as possible, and to make each one of these collections a complete one of the United States, by exchange between one state and another. These collections after the close of the Exposition to go back to the States or territories which exhibit them.

The means to be used in making these

collections will I suppose vary almost in each state, and at present I am most interested in finding out who the botanical authorities are. If you can send me any information on this point or tell me how to get at it I should be greatly obliged.

I should also like to enquire while I am writing to you about the Synoptical Flora.

If you can tell me when the continuation will be published, and where I can obtain a copy of as much of it as has already been published.

The enclosed circular gives a brief outline of the scope of the exhibit.

If you can find time to send me a few suggestions as to this matter - they will probably go far towards making it a success.

And oblige

Yours respectfully

Henry H. Hindsshaw